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Remarks

Applicant and Applicant's undersigned representatives wish to thank Examiner Walke for the thorough examination of the present application and for indicating the allowability of Claim 21, 27-63, and 74-112. Claim 1 has been canceled, and the limitations thereof have been incorporated into each of Claims 21 and 38. Claims 3, 4, 6, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 67, and 68 have been amended to depend directly or indirectly from Claim 21 and/or for consistency with the claim(s) from which they depend. Thus, no new matter is introduced by the present Amendment.

The Rejection of Claims 1-20, 22-26, and 64-73 under 37 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The rejection of Claims 1-20, 22-26, and 64-73 under 37 U.S.C. § 102(e) has been obviated by appropriate amendment.

Conclusions

In view of the above amendments and remarks, all bases for objection and rejection are overcome, and the application is in condition for allowance. Early notice to that effect is earnestly requested.

If it is deemed helpful or beneficial to the efficient prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative by telephone.

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